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***Chrysoteuchia culmella* (L.) (Lep.: Pyralidae) flight period**

An article in this journal (*Ent. Rec.* **112**: 272) suggests that the normal flight period of *Chrysoteuchia culmella* is June and July. My own observations in Bedfordshire are that this species is regularly on the wing during August, and in the last few years also in September.

Between 1974 and 1995 this moth was recorded from week 24 (11-17 June), with early records in 1988, week 23 and 1992, week 22 (28 May - 3 June). In 1998 a single record in week 19 (7-13 May) is assumed to be an aberration.

In most years the flight period was continuous until about week 33 (13-19 August). Isolated late records in both 1977 and 1982 were week 37 (10-16 September). In 1985 and 1995 last records were in week 36 (3-9 September). These flight periods were published in *The Butterflies and Moths of Bedfordshire* (Arnold, V.W., Baker, C.R.B., Manning, D.V., and Woiwod, L.P. 1997, Bedfordshire Natural History Society)

In the last four years the flight period has been continuous, with records in each week as follows:

	from	to
1996	week 23	week 37 (10-16 September)
1997	week 23	week 34 (20-26 August)
1998	week 24	week 36 (3-9 September)
1999	week 23	week 34 (20-26 August)

The records in recent years appear to show an extended emergence, rather than a second generation of moths.— DAVID MANNING, 27 Glebe Rise, Sharnbrook, Bedford MK44 1JB.